

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SHIPPING
LOK SABHA**

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Maritime Silk Route
Senguttuvan Shri Balasubramaniam

Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to conduct any feasibility study for joining China's Maritime Silk Route plans;
- (b) if so, the details thereof ?
- (c) whether the Government proposes to join as partner with China in deep sea mining in the Indian Ocean; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING
(SHRI PON. RADHAKRISHNAN)

- (a) No, Madam. The Ministry of Shipping does not have any proposal for conducting feasibility study for joining China's Maritime Silk Route plans at present.
- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) No, Madam. Also there is no proposal for joining as a partner with China in deep sea mining in the Indian Ocean.
- (d) Does not arise.
